U.N. bid to resolve Kampuchean Tangle

1738. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the UN have since made any fresh attempts to resolve the Kampuchean tangle; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) There is no formal U.N. initiative to resolve the Kampuchean question. However, the U.N. Secretary-General recently put forward certain ideas which are generally characterised as 'a 4-point proposal'

(b) The Secretary-General's ideas envisage the following:—

(i) Partial withdrawal of Vietnamese troops.

(ii) Talks between the four parties concerned i.e. three factions of CGDK and the Government of P.R.K. on national reconciliation.

(iii) Total troop withdrawal by the Vietnamese.

(iv) A general election under international supervision to set up a government in Kampuchea.

Reportedly the ideas have not found general acceptance.

Deposits of Indian Workers held up in Saudi Arabia

1739. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since taken up the question of repatriation of a large amount of money deposited by the Indian workers in the Saudi Arabian Social Insurance Scheme which has been held up by the Saudi Authorities; and

(b) if so, what is the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) The question of refund of contributions deposited by expatriate workers under the Social Insurance Scheme in Saudi Arabia is yet to be decided by the General Organisation of Social Insurance (GOSI) and the Saudi Government. The local Government is in favour of direct dealing for refund of contributions and the Mission has, therefore, informed the contributors to file their claims directly to GOSI.

Assam Accord

1740. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have held several rounds of discussions with the Chief Minister of Assam regarding the implementation of Assam Accord;

(b) if so, whether the discussions have led to the identification of specific areas of agreement and disagreement; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the affirmative, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) During these discussions, which mainly centred on the proposal of the State Government for amendments to the illegal Migrants (Determination by Tribunals) Act, 1983, the following were identified as the main issues:—

(i) Residence within 3 kms. of the person reported as illegal migrant in case of private complaints;

(ii) fee of Rs. 25/- with every private complaint;

(iii) burden of proof;

(iv) replacing 3-Member Tribunal by Single-Member Tribunal; and

(v) doing away with revisionary powers of High Courts.

Pak creating trouble in J & K

1741. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken note of the statement by Dr. Farooq Abdullah to the effect that Pakistan is creating trouble in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether he further stated that several J & K Government officials are on the pay-roll of the Pakistan Government;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to investigate into the matter and take action against the officials found guilty of the charge?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) The Government are aware that the 'Kashmir Times', Jammu in its publication of June 24, 1987 brought out a report attributing a statement to the Chief Minister, Jammu & Kashmir alluding that Pakistan was doing everything possible to disturb the peace in Jammu and Kashmir.

(b) to (d) Attention of the Government has also been drawn to the news item in 'Kashmir Times' dated 26th June under the caption 'Farooq denies Nayar's interview'. According to the newsitem the Chief Minister had reportedly stated that the possibility of some Government employees receiving payment from across the border could not be ruled out. The action is primarily the concern of the State Government.

Non-issuance of passport by the Government of South Africa to anti-apartheid Indian leader to go abroad

1742. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a top anti-apartheid Indian leader in South Africa and a grand-son-in-law of Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. M. Ram Govin has been refused a passport by the South African Government to visit USA and Britain;

(b) whether the matter has taken up by the Government of India on diplomatic level with the Governments of UK and USA; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Government have seen reports that Mr. M. Ram Govin, the grandson-in-law of Mahatma Gandhi has been refused a passport for travel abroad by the South African Government.

(b) and (c) Government have not felt that the Governments of the UK and the USA are likely to be able to intervene effectively in this matter which is being agitated by some international anti-apartheid organisations.

Closure of DCM Mills

1743. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a move by the management of the DCM Mills at Bara Hindurao in Delhi to close down the Mills and to construct a multistoreyed building there; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken to prevent the closure of the Mills and protect the interests of the workers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The management of the Delhi Cloth Mills, Delhi has a proposal to redevelop their present premises for flatted factories and residential apartments.